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In re Application of:

YOICHI TAKADA, ET AL.

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For: INK SET AND IMAGE FORMING  
PROCESS, AND WATER-BASED  
INK USED THEREIN

Examiner: Unassigned

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents are also enclosed.

The Examiner's attention is also directed to the following U.S. Applications:

| APPLICATION NO. | FILING DATE | APPLICANTS  | GROUP ART UNIT | STATUS  |
|-----------------|-------------|---|----------------|---------|
| 10/662,282      | 9/16/2003   | Yoichi Takada, Shinya<br>Mishina, Shinichi<br>Hakamada, Noriyasu Asaki,<br>Yasuhiro Nito, Masashi<br>Tsujimura and Takashi Imai | Unassigned     | Pending |

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| 10/670,242      | 9/26/2003   | Hiroyuki Ogino,<br>Motoo Urawa, Muneyoshi<br>Sunada, Yoichi Takada,<br>Masanori Ito, Hiroshi<br>Asakawa, Hideki Takayama,<br>Hitoshi Nagashima and<br>Takashi Sawada | Unassigned     | Pending |

A copy of each cited Application is enclosed.

REMARKS

The following documents are discussed at the following respective pages of the specification:

| Document                                   | Page(s) |
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Abstracts for all the Japanese references were obtained from a commercial database, and are attached to their respective copies.